Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–1801

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The Honorable Kay Granger, Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Houma Navigation Canal in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, located at 7400 Leake Ave, New Orleans, LA 70118. The funding would be used for advancing deepening required for the Houma Navigation Canal. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because shipbuilding for the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Navy, National Marine Fisheries Service, and NSF is conducted at locations along this channel.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 203 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986 (P.L. 99-662). Moreover, the deepening of the channel was authorized in WRDA 2020 (P.L. 116-260).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Steve Scalise

Member of Congress

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